

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge and, by law, should be serving the public interest. When large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy - the people who listen to the airwaves. It's more important that we see real people from our own communities that we can relate to than people who do not serve the public good.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen and enforce strong media ownership rules.

Thank you.